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SUBJ: PRC EMBASSY REPORTEDLY SOLICITING COURTESY CALL BY NEW
US AMBASSADOR

1. JAPANESE EMBASSY SECOND SECRETARY KANEYASU, LONG RESIDENT IN WARSAW, TOLD AN EMBASSY OFFICER MARCH 1 THAT WANG YEN, SECOND SECRETARY OF THE PRC EMBASSY HAD RECENTLY DISCUSSED WITH HIM CONTACTS BETWEEN PRC AND US EMBASSY OFFICERS HERE. ACCORDING TO KANEYASU, WANG HAD SAID SUCH CONTACTS COULD BE ENHANCED IF THE NEW US AMBASSADOR TO POLAND PAID A CALL ON HIS PRC COUNTERPART. WANG SUGGESTED THAT IN SUCH CASE, THE DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE TWO AMBASSADORS COULD INCLUDE THE QUESTION OF BROADER CONTACTS BETWEEN THEIR EMBASSIES.

2. THE US EMBASSY OFFICER ASKED KANEYASU IF WANG KNEW KANEYASU WOULD RELAY THEIR CONVERSATION TO HIM. HE ALSO ASKED KANEYASU'S PERSONAL UNDERSTANDING OF WANG'S REMARKS ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF AN AMBASSADORIAL CALL. KANEYASU REPLIED THAT WANG WAS FULLY AWARE THAT HE, KANEYASU, WOULD DISCUSS THEIR TALK WITH A US OFFICER. MOREOVER, HE WAS CERTAIN
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WANG INTENDED TO MAKE AN EXPLICIT SUGGESTION THAT AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLELE PAY A COURTESY CALL ON PRC AMBASSADOR LI TSE-WANG.

3. COMMENT: WANG, ALSO A LONG-STANDING RESIDENT OF WARSAW, HAS BEEN INTERESTED IN MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH THE EMBASSY POLITICAL OFFICER AFTER KANEYASU INTRO-

DUCED THEM A LITTLE OVER A MONTH AGO. HE PROFESSES
TO HAVE "PLAYED A SMALL ROLE" IN US-PRC WARSAW TALKS
PRELIMINARY TO PRESIDENT NIXON'S 1972 VISIT TO PEKING.
HE PREVIOUSLY HAD OCCASIONAL CONTACTS WITH THE PRESENT
POLITICAL OFFICER'S PREDECESSOR, ALSO ORIGINALLY SET UP BY
KANEYASU. WE DO NOT KNOW KANEYASU'S MOTIVATION IN
BROKERING SUCH CONTACTS SO ASSIDUOUSLY. HOWEVER,
HE HAS RECENTLY PROPOSED TO THE US POLITICAL OFFICER AND A WESTERN
NEUTRAL EMBASSY OFFICER A SORT OF ONGOING INFORMAL
EXCHANGE OF IMPRESSIONS AND INFORMATION ON POLISH COMMUNISTS
AND OTHER COMMUNITIS COUNTRY PERSONALITIES.
WE ARE PASSING ALONG HIS ACCOUNT OF WANG'S
SUGGESTION REGARDING AN AMBASSADORIAL CALL FOR
WHAT IT MAY BE WORTH, AND TO GIVE AMBASSADOR
SCHAUFLE A CHANCE TO CONSIDER AND DISCUSS IT
BEFORE HE LEAVES WASHINGTON. END COMMENT.

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